### NEWS OF THE LODGES.

A BIG BATCH OF BRIGHT GOSSIF ABOUT THE FRATERNITIES.

Relation of the Mystic Shrine to Masonry-Bad Weather Spoils the Baltimore Celebration-Items for Rechabites, Odd Fellows, American Mechanics and Brothers of the Golden Cross.

The following Masonic bodies meet upon the evenings of the ensuing week:

Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M., of the District of Columbia.—Masonic Temple, corner Ninth and F streets—Wednesday, the 14th, at 6 P. M. Subordinate Lodges.—Masonic Temple—Dawson No. 16, Monday, 12th; Federal No. 1, Tuesday, 13th; La Fayette No. 19, Thursday, 15th; Lebanon No. 7, Friday, 16th.

A. S. R. Sanotasses, 1007 C. street. Physical Rev. 1007 C. street.

A. A. S. R. Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Blue Room: Arminius No. 25, Monday, 12th; Acacia No. 18, Tuesday, 13th. Masonic Hall, Nineteenth street and Pennsyl-vania avenue—Hiram No. 10, Friday, 16th.

Masonic Hall, Virginia avenue southeast— Naval No. 4, Thursday, 15th. Brightwood Hall, Brightwood—Stansbury No.

24, Monday, 12th.

Royal Arch Chapters.—Masonic Temple—Mt.
Vernon No. 3, Monday, 12th.
Masonic Hall, Georgetown—Potomac No. 8,
Tuesday, 13th.

Masonic Hall, Nineteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue—Mount Horeb No. 7, Thursday,

Commanderies Knights Templar. — Masonic Temple—De Molay No. 4, Tuesday, 13th; Washington No. 1, Wednesday, 14th; Columbia No. 2, Friday, 16th. Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.—Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Evangelist Chapter Rose Croix, Tuesday, 13th.

Lebanon Lodge will confer the second degree Friday evening.

Acacia Lodge will transact routine business Tuesday evening.

Hiram Lodge No. 10 will confer the third degree Friday evening.

Potomac Chapter No. 8 will confer the Mark degree Tuesday evening. La Fayette Lodge No. 19 will confer the third

degree Thursday evening. Federal Lodge No. 1 will confer the second degree Tuesday evening.

Mount Horeb Chapter will confer the Mark Master degree Thursday evening.

Mount Vernon Chapter will confer the Past and Most Excellent Monday evening.

Washington Commandery No. 1 will confer the "Order of the Temple" Wednesday evening. Subscribe for The Sunday Herald-20c, per month, delivered at your residence early Sunday morning.

Arminius Lodge No. 25 will confer the third degree Monday evening, the same having been postponed from the last communication.

Stansbury Lodge expect to confer the third degree Monday evening, but do not desire to announce this degree as the definite work.

Evangelist Chapter Rose Croix will confer the sixteenth degree of the A. A. S. R. Tuesday evening on a large class of candidates, and it is expected that the meeting will be very interesting in other respects besides the degree work. The affairs of this body are in an excellent condition, and present indications point to a very prosperous administration for the recently elected officers.

De Molay Commandery No. 4 will transact routine business at the conclave of Tuesday evening. A delegation of Sir Knights from Chester, Pa., visited this Commandery at the mandery which acted as the host of De Molay on a recent pilgrimage they were royally entertained by the local fraters and shown the sights of the city in a very satisfactory manner.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge Wednesday evening the regular business appertaining to the semi-annual communication will be trans-acted, after which the first and second degrees will be exemplified in accordance with the usual custom. Other business will be transacted of the utmost importance, and every member of the Grand Lodge, especially the Worshipful Masters of constituent lodges, should be present at the communication.

The inclement weather of last Tuesday seriously interfered with the success of the Balti-more centennial and largely reduced the number of Sir Knights from this city. The parade in consequence suffered, the Templars appearing only in fatigue uniform. The other exercises off the event were successfully carried out in accordance with the programme before published in The Sunday Herald. Washington No. 1, Columbia No. 2, Potomac No. 3, and De Molay No. 4 from this city were represented.

The announcement in this column last Sunday that Osiris Lodge, U. D., would confer the third degree Wednesday evening was an error. The lodge did, however, work this degree on Friday, the 2d instant, and also on Monday, the 5th. The communication of Wednesday evening was devoted to the transaction of routine business and the settlement of the affairs of the lodge preparatory to the report which under the grand constitution, must be rendered the Grand Lodge Wednesday evening of this week. At the conclusion of the above business the brethren present were tendered the hospitalities of the lodge in the banquet hall of the sanctuary.

It is with sincere pleasure that THE SUNDAY HERALD announces the return to the city of Brother Joseph C. Taylor, thirty-third degree, Commander Robert De Bruce Council of Kadosh From hard work and the close confinement of a very exacting business the health of Brother Taylor was seriously impaired, and, acting under the advice of his physicians, he left the city for rest and recuperation. For the past month he has been stopping at Cherrystone Villa, a family resort owned by Dr. Leroy M. Taylor, of this city, on Cherrystone Inlet, Chesapeake Bay. He has recently returned, and his great improvement in health is the scource of many congratulations from his Masonic friends.

It is very strange that the average Masonic writer of the present day is so prone to fall into the error of classing the Ancient and Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine as a Masonic order. ganization, and in the same breath begin to rate the harmless "Shriners" for their impudence in striving to gain a standing in the Masonic system. The Shrine is not a Masonic organization, has never claimed Masonic recognition, and would not secure it if it did. It is simply an organization wherein the standard of eligibility for membership is fixed upon the Masonic rank of Knight Templar or the thirty-second degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. The wisdom of fixing this standard of eligibility is apparent to any one who has given the subject a moment's thought, and the fact that such is the case and that a candidate for the Shrine must have attained either of the ranks mentioned before his application can be received and acted upon does not in any way prove a connection between the Masonic system and the Shrine. Consequently such expressions as "the Masonic "bastard growths," etc., are in extremely bad taste, and show an ignorance in the matter which to the well-informed Masons of this jurisdiction are, to say the least, startling in their absurdity. The Shrine is simply an organi-zation which caters to the comedy side of human

nature. In it the strict formality with which Masonry is imbued finds no place, and the con-sequence is that its members abandon themselves to the unalloyed enjoyment of its inno cent diversions without impairing in the slightest degree their standing and dignity as Masons. The writer is not anxious to be classed among the Masonic correspondents who seem to find a peculiar delight in catering to the public by filling valuable space with what in journalistic cir-cles are called "the grinds" of the organization, but is only desirous of correcting an error which is becoming more and more prevalent and is an unjust and untruthful representation of the true facts in the case.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Ruth Lodge No. 2 meets on Wednesday, 14th instant. All are welcome.

John Wanamaker at one time was a mem-ber of American Star Lodge, of Philadelphia. Subscribe for The Sunday Herald-20c, per month, delivered at your residence early Sunday morning.

Attend the forty-fourth anniversary of Mechanics' Lodge No. 18 at Cavalry M. E. Church, Thirty-fifth and T streets, Georgetown, to-night. The convention of the Daughters of Rebekah of the District of Columbia will meet Wednesday, May 21, Mrs. Sarah M. Sanderson, presi-

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Canton C, Patriarchs Militant, Capt. Shackelford commanding, will make quite a showing in Chicago next August and ought to capture one of the prizes.

Maj. Allison Nailor was voted a resolution of thanks for his generous donation, through Cen-tral Lodge No. 1, to the general committee on the seventy-first anniversary.

A movement has been started in Delaware to provide a home for aged Odd Fellows. The Capital City of the Nation should be provided by the Odd Fellows with a similar home.

The grand visitations for the week will be to Harmony Lodge No. 9, Eighth street southeast, (Pennsylvania avenue cars pass the hall,) on Monday, and Central Lodge No. 1 on Friday.

Beacon Lodge No. 15 officers were examined in the work on Monday last. As was expected, the officers acquitted themselves in a manner to gladden the hearts of the Grand Representatives, Stier and Brainard.

The essay of Past Grand Master C. B. R. Colledge, read before the officers and members of Federal City Lodge No. 20 on "Association Action," was one of the finest pieces of rhetoric that the brother has ever produced.

Mrs. Lucy Webb Hayes was a member of Lincoln Lodge No. 128, D. of R., of Frémont, Ohio. The committee on memorial resolutions say of her: "She exemplified the principles of our order in her daily walks through life."

Grand Secretary Allan is in receipt of a com-munication from his "Gracious Majesty Rex," nviting him, with the members of the Order of Odd Fellows, to be present at the coronation of his cousin, Rex II, and carnival fête at Ogden, Utah, on June 30, 1890. The Mardi Gras will be one of the grandest carnivals ever held.

Grand Master William H. Frazier has issued his proclamation recommending the officers and members of all subordinate lodges to assemble in their respective lodge-rooms on Tuesday, June 10, or as near that date as practicable, and engage in such memorial service as may be appropriate to the memories of their deceased

Sister Margaret T. N. Perrie, of Naomi Lodge No. 1, Daughters of Rebekah, met with a severe accident recently while crossing the street at Ninth street and Massachusetts avenue. A bicycle, coming at a rapid speed, ran against her, knocking her down. The parents of the rider of the bicycle were very solicitous to know if least interest in the welfare of the wounded lady.

Past Grand William Walter Millan, of Harmony Lodge No. 9, having established a law ofin Chattanooga, Tenn., is in the city on a brief visit. On his return home he will be accompanied by one of the fairest of the fair ladies of Washington. Cards of invitation have been issued by Grand Representative and Mrs. Fred. A. Stier to attend the wedding ceremony of their daughter, Virginia, and Brother Millan, at Mount Vernon Place Church, on the evening of May 14, at 7:45 o'clock.

The Grand Secretary has been presented with a copy of the by-laws of Jonathan Lodge No. 4 (defunct) published in 1830. Article 20 reads: "No person shall be admitted a member of this lodge under the age of twenty-one years, (except he be the son of an Odd Fellow, he is allowed to be made at the age of twenty.") Article 21: "The word 'brother' shall not be used in company, except at such times as brothers alone compose the company. When any brother addresses the N. G. or other officer he shall be upstanding. No brother shall canvass in the lodge on election night under penalty of one

The presentation by Past Grand John Fleming in behalf of George W. Childs, the Philadelphia philanthropist, and the acceptance by Grand Representative Rev. Fred A. Stier for the lodge of a handsomely bound copy of the Holy Bible, was the prominent feature at the interesting meeting of Martha Washington Lodge No. 3, Daughters of Rebekah, on Tuesday evening last. The presentation speech of Brother Fleming was justly laudatory of the many kind acts of the distinguished donor, and the reply of Brother Stier was in his happiest mood. The lodge ordered an engrossed copy of the resolution of thanks, which was unani-mously adopted, to be sent to Mr. Childs. Delegations from Naomi Lodge No. 1 and Ruth Lodge No. 2 were interested listeners.

Federal City Lodge No. 20, at Medford Hall, Eighth and I streets northeast, received the Grand Master and other grand officers in the new quarters they selected since April 1. Small in numbers and with but little interest taken by the large majority of the membership, the few who have stood manfully by the lodge through all its ups and downs resolved to make a change by removing to the fast growing northeast por-tion of the city and establishing for the first time a lodge of Odd Fellows in that vicinity. Three nitiations and three by deposit of card increase the membership to forty-one. With such active and interested Odd Fellows as William H. Stansbury, John H. Wood, William H. Wilson, Wil-H. Knotts, N. Brewer, William H. Esler, David Hamersly, J. W. Sherwood, S. D. Houck, and the energetic assistance of Father Chester R. Faulkner, the lodge is certain to be successful in the new territory.

The grand visitation to Covenant Lodge No. 13, Congress street, Georgetown, proved to be the best that has taken place up to the visit of the grand officers. Grand Representatives Brainard and Stier pronounced the officers perfeet in their rendition of the secret work and highly commended the Warden and Conductor of the lodge. Grand Master Frazier also spoke in terms of gratification at the general interest taken by the officers and members of the lodge and at the success which attended the instructions given by Grand Instructor George Bennet, Since January 1 fourteen have been admitted to membership and the degrees were conferred thirty-two times. The lodge is much interested in the welfare of four infant boys, to each of whom has been given a silver spoon, with the three links and "our boy" engraved thereon. The visitation was closed by an extemporaneous address by Past Grand B. F. Crawshaw, of Beacon Lodge.

Independent Order Mechanics. The first degree will be conferred upon two andidates at the next meeting.

Greenburg Eichelberger, father of Past Grand Architect D. G. Eichelberger, died in Baltimore on Friday, the 22d instant, at the age of seventyseven years and five months.

The son of Grand Conductor G. W. Berry met with a sad accident this week at the Anacostia car stables. The amputation of an arm was necessary. Brother Berry has the sympathy of the entire order.

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Columbia Lodge No. 1, I. O. M., met Tuesday evening last. Brothers W. H. Elliott and George H. Haley were reported sick. Applications for the I. O. M. Endowment were received from P. G. A. Joseph Acton, P. M. John G. Weaver, and Brothers E. H. Harner and William E. Baldwin. Past Master Maddux, of Friendship Lodge No. 7, made some very interesting remarks.

The following members of the Supreme Lodge from this jurisdiction will leave this city on Tuesday morning, May 12, for Atlantic City, where the session of the Supreme Lodge will be held: Grand Representatives J. W. Thompson and G. G. Wilson, Past Supreme Rulers L. H. Patterson and H. E. Weaver, and Past Grand Architects J. W. Carter and Joseph Acton. Past Supreme Ruler J. M. Richards is now in Atlantic City awaiting the coming of the representatives of this jurisdiction.

Capital Lodge No. 11 held its regular meeting at their hall, 609 C street northwest, Wednesday night, May 7, and was well attended. Brother W. W. Weaver is confined to his home with a sprained ankle. Brother A. A. Reese is improving, and Brother J. G. Strobel was re-ported as much worse. On next Wednesday night this lodge will present a scene unprecedented in the history of the order. Members of the order should be present. Capital Lodge will give an excursion to River View June 16. Conductor W. B. Wilson, of Lafayette Lodge No. 7, of Baltimore, made a flying visit to this city, and in company with his uncle, Vice Grand Architect R. B. Wilson, paid this lodge a visit and entertained the lodge with a few re-

Lafayette Lodge No. 13 held an unusually large and interesting meeting Thursday, May 8, at their hall, 609 C street northwest, Worthy Master Klinehanse in the chair. A communica-tion received from Lafayette Lodge No. 7, of Baltimore, informed this lodge that on Thursday, May 22, they would pay us a fraternal visit in a body. This lodge being one of the largest, both in members and finance, a large delegation is looked for. They will be received in good style by No. 13. On Thursday, May 15, Brother E. E. Payne will appear for the second and third, Mr. H.C. Riley for the first, second and third, Mr. Lee Johnson for the first, second and third, by special dispensation. The committee appointed to make arrangements for the reception of Lafayette No. 7 reported progress. By unanimous vote the Recording Secretary was directed to extend the sympathy of this lodge to Grand Conductor G. W. Berry, of Anacostia, whose son lately met with a painful accident. Brothers J. E. and B. F. Taylor, N. Pruitt, F. M. Ashford, and Denham, of this lodge, and Brother J. E. Finch, of Franklin Lodge, of Baltimore will participate in the musical part of timore, will participate in the musical part of the programme. Visitors: Past Grand Architect J. W. Thompson, of this jurisdiction; Past Master J. E. Finch, of Franklin Lodge No. 14, of Baltimore, and Past Master C. F. Whitlock, of Lafayette No. 17, of Baltimore.

Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Brother Vermillion tendered his resignation as Sir Herald of Monarch Castle on account of his duties preventing his regular attendance. It was accepted with regret, as he is a good and faithful member. He was also presented with a prize for bringing the largest number of memers in for the past term. Brother John C Williamson, who became a member of Monarch Castle three months ago, and has not missed a meeting since that time, was nominated to fill the post of S. H., and was unanimously elected.

At the regular meeting of Monarch Castle No. 2, Tuesday evening, May 6, the following-named candidates were elected and initiated in the first degree: Daniel McCoy, John Zirwes, Frederick G. Tate, and George S. Rosson. A delegation of members from the newly instituted castle, Champion No. 5, of Alexandria, Va., were present to witness the conferring of this degree. The creditable manner in which it was done made a great impression on them. There were also present as visitors Brothers Bushby and Kirchner, of Ivanhoe, and Brother Gemmill, of Mt. Vernon. Under good of the order the cas tle was entertained with appropriate remarks by the visiting members.

On Thursday evening, May 1, Past Grand Chief Frank C. Townsend, Grand M. of R. E. Tolson, and the officers and members of Monarch Castle No. 2 visited Alexandria, and instituted Champion Castle No. 5. The following are the installed officers: Past Chief, J. C. DePutron; Noble Chief, A. D. Deeton; Vice Chief, J. T. Herbert; High Priest, J. M. Germond; Venerable Hermit, E. J. Graney; Master of Records, H. M. Foltz; Clerk of Exchequer, J. S. Wimsatt; Keeper of Exchequer, E. S. Corsa, and Sir Herald, J. A. Travers. This castle will no doubt reverse. eastle will no doubt prove a success, as it has the kind of members to make it so. It started with a membership of twenty. Last Thursday night, on invitation, Monarch Castle visited Champion Castle, and assisted in the initiation of seven more members. There were also present a number of visitors from the other custles in the District. After the transaction of business the visiting brethren partook of a bountiful repast prepared by the lady friends of Champion Castle. Several toasts were given and appropriately responded to.

Independent Order of Rechabites. Subscribe for THE HERALD.

The High Tent meets in Hagerstown in July The Grand Tent will meet the last week in

Past Chief Ruler George J. Murray, of Eagle Tent No. 2, is on the sick list.

The Friendship Juniors meet in Red Men's Hall at 6:30 sharp to morrow evening. Eagle Juniors had the usual lively and business-like meeting last Monday evening. The emblematic gold pin contest in Redemp-

tion Tent No. 104 closes with this month Past Chief Ruler J. D. Buckley, of Western Tent No. 165, who was sick for several weeks, s again able to attend to business.

Chief Ruler Willard Hobbie and Levite Walter Dewey, of the Friendship Juniors, promise good work for the Juniors in the near future. Grand Secretary L. H. Patterson will be ab-

sent from the city during this week in attendance at the Supreme Lodge of the Independent

Order Mechanics at Atlantic City, N. J. Redemption Tent No. 144 had the best meeting since its organization in Golden Eagle Hall, corner of Virginia avenue and Fifth street southeast, last Wednesday evening. After initiating two candidates and transacting important business stirring remarks were made by Past Chief Ruler Clarence Mills, of Eagle Teur No. 2, and others.

Western Tent No. 165 will remove to the hall at the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Twen-tieth street next week. At the last meeting Grand Chief Ruler E. S. Woodford, Grand Secretary L. H. Patterson, and Grand Treasurer C. B. Allen were in attendance and made ad-

Purity Tent No. 4 (Ladies' Branch) had a wide-awake meeting Monday evening last. Under the good of the order interesting remarks were made by Brothers Andrew Brown and Thomas S. Dunn, Sister Josephine Mills, Brothers Samuel Ellis and Clarence Mills, Sister M. Allen, Brothers George Allen, J. J. Murray, and Thomas Brown, Sister Lida Murray, and Brother William J. Webb.

Friendship Tent No. 73 had the usual interesting meeting in Red Men's Hall last Monday evening. After initiating four candidates and transacting the routine business, pertinent remarks were made by Grand Chief Ruler E. S. Woodford, Grand Secretary L. H. Patterson, Supporter W. H. Goldsmith, Deputy Ruler A. J. Eaton, Grand Lecturer A. M. Dewey, Grand Representative J. L. Wright, and Secretary W. Irving Hutchins Irving Hutchins.

Eagle Tent No. 2, the oldest tent in North America, and which has never missed a meeting since its organization, forty-one years ago, always has interesting meetings, and the last was especially enthusiastic, the occasion being the visit of the Grand Chief Ruler and the Grand Secretary. For the good of the order encouraging remarks were made by Grand Chief Ruler E. S. Woodford, Grand Secretary L. H. Patterson, Brother George Allen, Past Chief Ruler W. H. Douglass, High Secretary W. J. Webb, Brother John Spieden, Past Chief Ruler Clarence Mills, Past High Chief Ruler J. J. Murray, and Deputy Ruler Andrew Brown.

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